## **TWO-THIRDS OF MEAT SAMPLES TAINTED, P. 4**



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#### **Abductions** prompt calls to local child safety group

CRIME An Edmonton group the educates parents on child safety has been flooded with calls since the abduction and sexual assault of two pre-teen girls over the weekend.

Karen Larson, with the Edmonton Safe Parent Association, says parents have been looking for re-sources on how to better street-proof their kids.

The association also recruits and screens households that act as block parents to give children a safe place to go to if they are ever in trouble.

"I have to say, unfortunately, yes, people do be-come more interested when there is an incident

like this," said Larson.
"It's really too bad that it takes such a horrible thing for people to realize that we are out there, and that we can help and so can parents.

Danial Todd Gratton, 44, is scheduled to appear in court today on charges of sexual assault related to the weekend incidents.

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# NDP On the trail

Federal NDP Leader Jack Layton speaks at a breakfast rally held at the Kids in the Hall Bistro inside Edmonton City Hall yesterday morning. Layton told supporters he would keep oilpatch jobs if elected prime minister and would set up a more orderly procedure for developing Alberta's resources. See story, page 5.

### Suspects in casino death found

SHOOTING A suspect sought in connection with a slaving near the River Cree Casino in Stony Plain was arrested yesterday, and a second suspect in the case turned himself in shortly

Adam Michael Brown, 21. of Edmonton was arrested yesterday afternoon and charged with first-degree murder in connection the murder of Mohamed Ali Ibrahim, 24, who was shot to death outside the casino August 30.

second suspect, Alexander Edward Colin Reid, 20, turned himself in

police vesterday evening. Upon hearing media reports that he was facing murder charges, Reid went to city police headquarters and was brought into custody without incident, Stony Plain RCMP said in a statement.

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# **Ex-health CEOs split** \$3.2M

**Style** 

Looking

Board merger leads to payout

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Former Edmonton and Calgary CEOs who headed up Alberta's two largest health authorities before the province's health regions merged will share \$3.2 million in severance pay.

Sheila Weatherill, the former CEO of Edmonton's Capital Region, received \$1.5 million in severance, according to figures released yester-

Former Cal- "I think the health gary Health minister should Board CEO have appeared CEO have announced Jack Davis was paid \$1.7 this expensive bill ... million. but I believe he was

All of Alber-too embarassed." ta's health-region CEOs Hugh MacDonald gion were let go on

July 8 to pave the way for its new, single health superboard, which is now called Alberta Health Serv-

"The former executives are receiving compensa-tion in accordance with the specific terms of their contracts," said Ken Hughes, the new board's chair, in a release

Alberta Health Services is currently paying its CEO, Charlotte Robb, an annual salary of \$550,000.

"Taxpayers should be

very, very angry," said Hugh MacDonald, a health critic with the Alberta Lib-

erals.
"I think the health minister (Ron Liepert) should have announced this expensive bill to the taxpayers, but I believe he was too embarrassed. He's too embarrassed to face the taxpayers.'

Scott Hennig, a director with the Canadian Taxpayers Federation, said the multi-million dollar severance package is worth it,

since taxpayers will be saving money in the long run because of the new superboard.

"This will eventually be a drop in the bucket,"

said Hennig.
Auditor General Fred
Dunn said last week that public sector CEOs in the province were among the highest paid in Canada, and chastised the boards for their largesse.

"(Boards) should also provide clear direction for calculating variable pay," said Dunn in his report last week.

Dunn said he was going to audit the severance packages that were released vesterday.



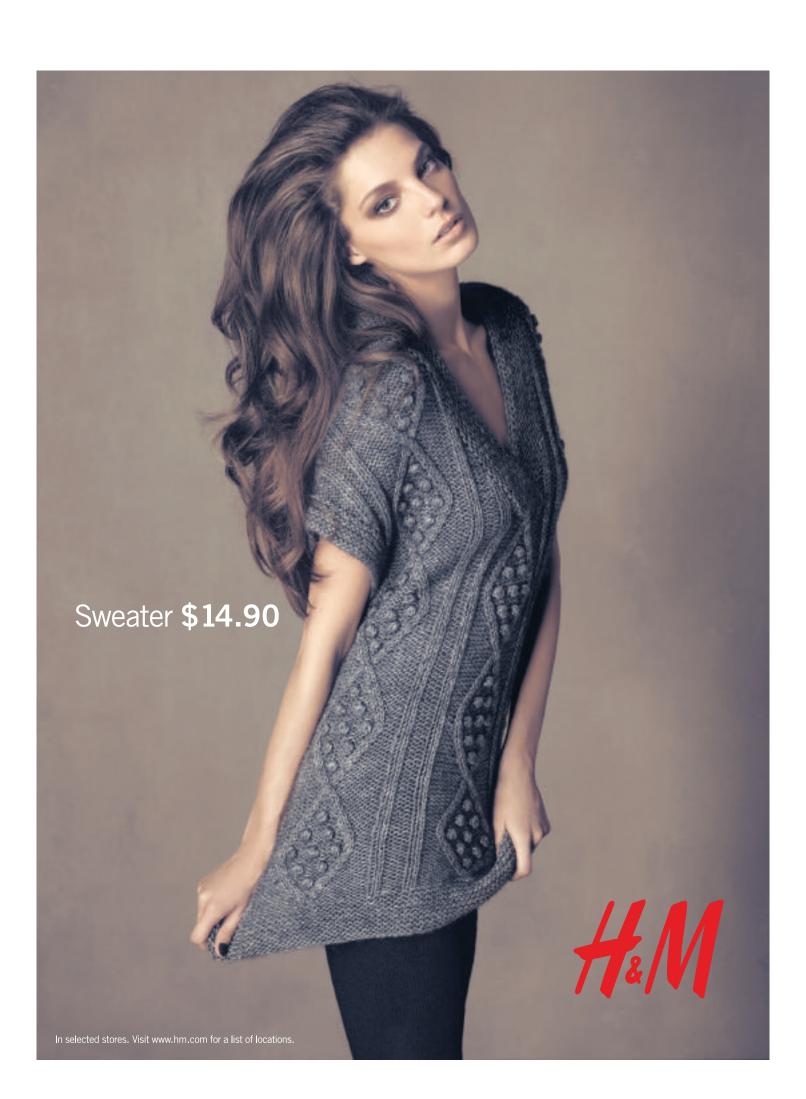
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# Local



#### Soccer fans the time has come

The 2010 FIFA World Cup South Africa Qualifier is Wednesday. Canada vs Mexico at Commonwealth Stadium, game time is 7 p.m. Watch where you sit, though. There are designated areas for Mexican and Canadian fans. Canada is hoping Edmonton's October weather will put a chill on our southern friends

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# **UGLY BETTY**

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#### Man charged in luring incidents

ARREST Police have made an arrest in the case of a man who has been allegedly attempting to lure teenage girls into his vehicle since the summer.

A 13-year-old girl was walking in the area of 105 Street and 76 Avenue Monday, when she was approached by a man who tried to coax her into his vehicle. Police arrested a suspect in his vehicle near 92 Avenue and 98 Street Tuesday.

Charged is 22-year-old James Ross Armour. He is also charged in connection with a similar incident in August. He will appear in court Oct. 28.

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What's online today

Check out MetroTube of the Day to see artists make the case that they are ordinary Canadians, too. Watch as one of Harper's closest allies faces voter anger in her riding at metronews.ca/Canada

#### Lotteries

Lotto 6/49 4, 13, 19, 32, 40 & 45 Bonus 28 These results are not official.



Consultant Paul Tubbe, a wheelchair user, speaks about Edmonton's accessibility for disabled people at Measuring Up, a conference on disabilities yesterday at the Coast Plaza hotel downtown.

# City accessibility judg

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Edmonton measures up with other cities across Canada when it comes to making itself more accessirun symposium yesterday.

Brenda Reitsma, a member of an advisory board that represents the disabled for the city, said Edmonton lags when it comes to helping the visually impaired.

"We have a lot of audible signals downtown, but in communities where people

who are blind live, do we signals have places?" said for a city." Reitsma.

Paul Tubbe The Sympo- Paul Tubbe sium on Achieving Accessible and Inclusive Communities at the Coast Edmonton Plaza Hotel yesterday guided participants through exercises to determine how

Edmonton measured up with other cities

Paul Tubbe, a Vancouver business consultant who is

confined to a wheelchair, "This is a low and said Edmonthose upfront investment ton is doing a good job making side-

walks and buildings more accessible, but that also needs to work neighbourhoods. city "This is a low and up-front investment for a city," said

## **Awful memory** dredged up in assault trial

VICTORIA HANDYSIDES victoria.handysides@metronews.ca

A jury of 12 men and women wore mirrored expressions of horror yesterday, upon hearing a recorded, heartbreaking story from a seven-yearold girl of how she was kidnapped while she slept then savagely raped on a bed of rocks and dirt.

The victim, now 20, sat in the witness box with her arms folded across her lap, never once looking up at the video of herself explaining the graphic details of the sexual assault to police as a child. She was hidden behind a black barrier, to prevent her from seeing the man who is accused of the brutal crime: 32-year-old Neil Lester Johnson.

Johnson has pleaded not guilty to charges of kidnapping, unlawful confinement and sexual assault.

The child was having a sleepover at a friend's Bonnie Doon-area home Aug. 5, 1995, when she was pulled from the floor by a man who clamped his hand over her mouth and carried her down an alley. "I knew it was somebody coming to try to get me. He looked like he had an idea like he wanted to get somebody" she said. ". was trying to scream, but he picked me up and ran.'

The girl recounted details of being taken behind a shed a few houses away, laid on her back in the dirt, and forced to raise her hands above her head while he viciously raped and sodom-ized her. "He said he would do it till the morning," she said, adding that he threatened to break her neck and kill her if she screamed. "I just started to be brave and let him keep on doing it.

The case went cold but was reopened in 2003. Investigators matched DNA from a semen stain on the girl's pyjama top to Johnson's, who was then arrested.

The victim, who cannot be named, remembers little of the attack

#### ble to the disabled, but more work needs to be done, said speakers at a city-

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Soldier seriously wounded in Afghanistan

A Canadian soldier is in serious but stable condition after being shot by insurgents about 30 kilometres west of Kandahar City, Afghanistan on Tuesday. The military has not released the soldier's identity. source: CBC NEWS ONLINE

# Canada



#### **Reprieve for Rambo**

Rambo, left, has been given a reprieve from canine death row. A plan to transfer the dog from an animal shelter in Mississauga, Ont., to a farm in Nova Scotia was approved by an Ontario court yesterday. Rambo was born after a provincewide ban on new pit bulls took effect on Aug. 29, 2005.

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#### **News** in brief

VANCOUVER The Pivot Legal Society said yesterday that Canada's auditor general needs to examine whether the RCMP overstepped its mandate by funding critiques of Insite, Vancouver's

REFUGEE Hassan Almrei, a Syrian refugee who has spent seven years behind bars on a security certificate, would not pose a significant threat if released under supervision, a security advisor told a federal court yesterday.

VANCOUVER A B.C. man needed 60 stitches to close his wounds after he fought and killed a mother bear, CBC News Online reports. Jim West, 45, and his two dogs encountered the bear

walk. He used a stick to break the bear's skull after it tore into his head and bit his body. Two cubs were euthanized because they wouldn't survive winter without their mother.

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#### Atwood Culture is seamless



Author Margaret Atwood takes a break to read Metro at a party this week to launch her latest book, Payback: Debt and the Shadow Side of Wealth. The book hit stores this week in the midst of a global market meltdown, and an election campaign in which Atwood took shots at Prime Minster Stephen Harper's comments that "ordinary people" don't care about "the arts." As Atwood told Metro: "Culture is seamless. It flows from socalled high to so-called low and back again."

## Large percentage of meat tainted, documents say

Two-thirds of Maple Leaf meat samples collected from Toronto hospitals and nursing homes tested positive for a virulent strain of listeria just before the country's largest food recall, according to confidential data obtained by Torstar News Service and the CBC.

The test results show a dramatically high percentage of bacteria-laced ham, corned beef, turkey, and roast beef was being served to hundreds of vulnerable hospital patients and seniors. Experts say it's more contamination than they have seen and further evidence of a health risk that should have reached the

public's attention sooner. "There shouldn't be any positives," says Rick Holley, a food safety expert at the University of Manitoba. "The reality is if you did a survey in the market, you might find one or two at most out of this sample that are positive .... And it is a particularly virulent strain of listeria. It's one of the bad ones.'

17 of 26 samples collected on Aug. 14 and 15 tested positive for listeria, as revealed by lab tests conducted for the Canadian Food Inspection Agency and compiled in a document labelled 'confidential.'

These tests prompted the national recall of various Maple Leaf meat products.

A federal government source confirmed yesterday that half of the provincial samples tested positive for listeria.

But the results in Toron-

to were worse.
"I'd never seen anything like this," said Dr. Vinita Dubey, Toronto's associate medical officer of health. "The fact that so many came back positive shows how contaminated the source

Linda Smith, a spokesperson for Maple Leaf, said the company was informed of the second batch of test results on Aug. 16.

"On the basis of (the test results) we did a recall.

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Stephen Harper pledged a \$5-million fund to draw Canadian doctors practising outside the country to return to Canada, CBC News Online reports. Harper said the Conservatives would also begin a pilot project with the provinces to find ways to recruit and retain nurses. CBC NEWS ONLINE canada 5



# Race has turned upside down

With 5 days to go in campaign, this election is going down to the wire



ust when you were sure the Conservatives would win this election and the only question was by how much, strange and wondrous things begin to hap-

Support for the Conservatives has been dissolving like a soft summer mist. The party that began the campaign with 38 to 40 per cent of support has now fallen to 31 to 34 per

Meanwhile, the Liberals have rebounded, though not as dramatically as the Conservatives have fallen. The Liberals are now polling at 26 to 31 per

While the conventional wisdom was always that Stephen Harper would be re-elected, that's longer certain. And while the conventional wisdom was that Stéphane Dion was finished, that isn't certain, either.

In other words, all bets are off. With five days to go, this is suddenly, remarkably, a horse race.

For weeks the biggest doubt was whether the Conservatives would win a majority. How big? Would it come from Ontario or Quebec? If the election were

held today, it is safe

to say they wouldn't win most of the 308 seats in the House of Commons. Sure, it is mathematically possible that they could pull this off with 32 per cent of the vote in a divided, five-party

with crazy splits. But it would be unprecedented.

We have seen a majority with 37 per cent of the popular vote — Bob Rae's New Democrats did it in Ontario in 1990 - but with 32, 33 or 34 per cent? Unfathomable.

(It goes the other way, too. In 1925, Canada had a minority government even though the Con-

servatives won 47 per cent of the vote.)

While a Conservative

Stéphane Dion

fond hope, he had reason to believe it was possible when the campaign began. The Conservatives never imagined sweeping Quebec like John Diefenbaker in 1958 or Brian Mulroney in 1984, but they did think winning another 10 or 15 seats there was realistic. That, and modest gains

majority was Harper's

in rural Ontario, would get them to 155 seats. That was the hope.

But even before the credit crisis, that was slipping away. The Bloc Québécois has brilliantly exploited doubts about Harper

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ment.

Andrew Cohen teaches journalism at Carleton University. He is the author of Extraordinary Canadians: Lester B. Pearson

Liberals are holding their

traditional vote in Montre-

al, where the New Democ-

rats had hoped for a

Liberals appear to have re-

taken the lead in vote-rich

Ontario, their support ris-

ing in the province's

the Liberals can actually

win this thing on Tues-

day? Yes, but only if Liber-

al voters who defected to

the Greens and the New

Democrats come home.

This time, their motive

wouldn't be stopping a

Conservative majority, as

it was in 2006, but of de-

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#### Liberals

#### Tory ads an ironic twist for Dion

TURNAROUND Stéphane Dion - his image battered by months of harsh Conservative advertising — says he misjudged how effective negative advertising can be in an election campaign.

But in an ironic twist. the Liberal leader now says the millions of dollars of Conserva-

tive adver-**Never** tising is has an inpartly responsible dividual for his surbeen the prise latetarget of campaign surge. millions When Canaof dollars dians tuned into the two of attack leaders' deads as I bates last have week, they found the been." Opposition Stéphane

Dion wasn't the politician so often portrayed as bumbling and indecisive on the airwaves by the Conservatives, he said yesterday.

"Never has an individual been the target of millions of dollars of attack ads as I have been — and the Green Shift as a policy," Dion told the Toronto Star's editorial board.

"It may be why these debates have been a golden opportunity for me to show who is Stéphane Dion and why he has nothing to do with this caricature, this false individual that we have seen again and again on TV and on radio," he said yesterday.

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#### **Figures**

#### **Fewer voters** cast ballots at advance polls

EARLY There were fewer voters who showed up at advance polls across the Alberta over the weekend, according to figures from

Elections

Canada. Close to 102,900 people chose to cast a ballot early in this election Ed-

monton-Leduc recorded the most in the Capital re-

Marie-France Kenney, a spokeswoman with Elections Canada, told Metro there were no problems reported at the polls, but there were issues where voters would arrive at polling stations without legal identification.

People thought their voter information card would work as an ID, so we just want to remind people to bring proper identification," said Kenney.

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## Layton vows to stick up for Alberta

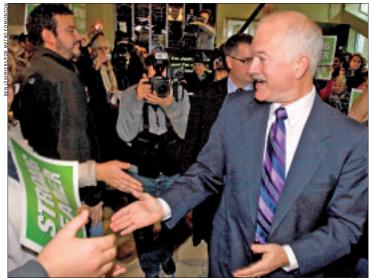
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With less than a week until election day, NDP Leader Jack Layton says his plans as prime minis-ter would include keeping thousands of energy-based jobs in Alberta, even through a time of global economic uncertainty.

Layton said since oil developments have been approved without any planning, many companies are forced to fly in workers from outside the country to build those projects because of a skilled labour shortage.

A more balanced "stepby-step" approach that tackles everything from environmental consequences, the infrastructure shortfalls and workforce issues is needed from a federal government tackling issues in Alberta, Layton said.

"I think there is a very exciting move afoot and we just about won a seat in Alberta the last time around," Layton said during a media scrum with reporters after greeting hundreds of supporters



NDP Leader Jack Layton shakes hands yesterday morning as he enters a breakfast rally at the Kids in the Hall coffee shop inside Edmonton City Hall.

during a breakfast rally in the Kids in the Hall coffee shop yesterday morning in Edmonton.

Layton also used the rally to blast Stephen Harper's party platform position on the current crisis on Wall Street.

"Ordinary families are very worried about their

savings, their pensions, their homes, their jobs,' he said. "They want to know if they're going to

be safe and secure.
"My top priority is to ensure that we protect the savings, pensions, homes and jobs of ordinary Canadians in these tough economic times.'

Layton also vowed to reregulate the banks to ensure "no one is gambling"

with people's savings.

"Mr. Harper hasn't done anything for ordinary families for over two years," said Layton. "The time has come to throw Stephen Harper out of of-

#### **News** in brief

POLL Peter MacKay is far ahead of Green Leader Elizabeth May in the Nova Scotia Central Nova riding, according to a Metro Halifax/CTV poll. "At this point, just a few days from the election, it certainly looks positive for Peter MacKay," said Craig Wight, vice-president of research for Bristol Omnifacts Research, which conducted the poll. MacKay has 39 per cent support. The battle for second is tight, with May at 22 per cent and New Democratic Party candidate Louise Lorefice at 19. With a five per cent margin of error, that's not much.

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Voting guides in 27 languages online

In an effort to provide as many electors as possible with important information about federal elections, Elections Canada has produced, in 27 heritage languages, a voter information guide and a document concerning voter identification at the polls. See www.elections.ca. ELECTIONS CANADA

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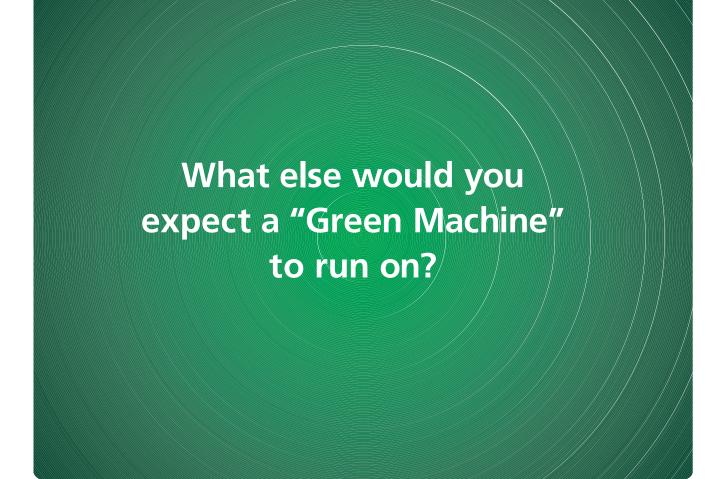
# Polls diverge on fortunes of Conservatives

A new poll released yesterday showed the Conservative lead in the Canadian election

campaign continuing to shrink while another covering a similar period showed it widening again. A Harris-Decima/Canadian Press survey put the Conservatives at 31 per cent, unchanged from their sur-

vey the day before, but the Liberals up one point at 27 per cent. It had the NDP at 20 per cent. An Ekos automated telephone poll released on Tuesday night, however, had the Tory lead growing

again to nine percentage points (34 to 25) from the seven that Ekos had reported a day earlier. REUTERS



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Republican vice-presidential nominee Sarah Palin is distantly related to the late Princess Diana and late U.S. president Franklin Roosevelt, genealogy experts said yesterday. The Alaska governor and princess are tenth cousins, while Roosevelt is Palin's ninth cousin once removed. REUTERS

# World/Business

# Ukraine calls early election

**Ukrainian President Viktor** Yushchenko yesterday abandoned the search for a coalition to take over from the current "orange" government, dissolved parliament and called an early election.

Yushchenko blamed Prime Minister Yulia Tymoshenko, his estranged ally from the 2004 "Orange Revolution," for the collapse of a coalition that emerged from that pro- parliamentary election," Western upheaval which swept him to power.

She had allowed her "thirst for pow-er" to take precedence over national interests, charged

"I hereby declare Viktor the activities of ... Yushchenko parliament to be suspended and call an early tion.

he said in a recorded

television address to the nation. vote will take place in democratic and lawful fashion."

Yushchenko twice named Tymoshenko prime minister, but has been constantly at odds with her almost since his elec-"I am convinced,

deeply convinced that the democratic coalition was ruined by one thing alone - human ambition. The ambition of one person," he said in his televised address.

constitution provides for an election to take place no more than 60 days after dissolution making Dec. 7 a possible

#### **Russian retreat** not enough. **Georgia says**

TROOPS Russia pulled back its troops vesterday from buffer zones it set up on Georgian territory during a summer war, but Georgia demanded it take further

Russian Defence Ministry said troops had removed all six checkpoints in the buffer zone around Georgia's rebel province of South Ossetia, ahead of the Friday deadline stipulated French-brokered ceasefire deal.

Russian troops remain inside South Ossetia and a second, pro-Russian breakaway region. Abkhazia

But Foreign Minister Eka Tkeshelashvili said Russian troops still had to quit two disputed enclaves within South Ossetia and Abkhazia by tomorrow. REUTERS

#### U.S. pressuring Europe for help in Afghanistan

**PENTAGON** The United States called on southeastern Europe yesterday, including aspiring NATO members, to send more troops to Afghanistan.

As the conflict with Taliban fighters has escalated, Defense Secretary Robert Gates has increasingly looked for troop contributions from outside

Violence in Afghanistan has escalated over the past two years, and the Pentagon chief has repeatedly asked NATO members and others to send resources.

Still, NATO commanders say they need another three brigades, or 10,000 to 12,000 troops. REUTERS

#### Cuba Guevara's capture



Men carry an image of the late guerrilla leader Ernesto "Che" Guevara at a primary school in Havana yesterday. First-graders around the country were given blue scarves in tribute to the revolutionary, who was captured in Bolivia 41 years ago

#### Afghan strikes killed 33 civilians: Inquiry

AFGHANISTAN The U.S. military said vesterday that 33 Afghan civilians died during August air strikes on a village in western Afghanistan, raising the estimated toll of an action that has strained U.S.-Afghan relations.

A new military inquiry into the Aug. 22 attack on the village of Azizabad in Herat province also lowered the U.S. estimate for the number of militants believed to have died, to 22 guerrillas from an initial

#### **Strike deaths**

 Human Rights Watch said in a recent report that a surge in the use of air power in Afghanistan had resulted in a high number of civilian casualties, estimating that 119 civilians died in the first seven months of 2008.

estimate of 30 to 35.

The United States first reported only five to seven civilian deaths in the attack. That opened a rift with the Afghan govern-ment and the United Nations, which both said more than 90 civilians had been killed.

The military then revisited its investigation after cellphone video emerged showing bodies of people said to have been killed.

The latest U.S. civiliandeath estimate includes at least eight men, three women and 12 children, all identified from video footage taken after the at-

#### Man indicted for hacking Palin's e-mail

INTERNET The son of a Tennessee Democratic state legislator has been indicted for hacking vice-presidential candidate Sarah Palin's personal e-mail account, the Justice Department said vesterday.

David Kernell, 20, of

Knoxville, allegedly accessed the Yahoo account, gov.palin@yahoo.com, on Sept. 16 by correctly answering a series of personal questions.

He then posted the password and personal infor-mation found within, such as the phone numbers of family members, on the online forum 4chan.org. Kernell, the son of legis-

lator Mike Kernell, will appear before a judge next week. He faces up to five years in prison if convict-

#### **Business**

## Central banks make historic joint rate cut

Central banks around the world cut interest rates yesterday in their first broadly co-ordinated policy action in history, in an attempt to stem the global financial crisis.

The central banks of the United States, the euro zone, Britain, Switzerland, Canada and Sweden all lowered official rates by a half-percentage point with the Bank of Canada cutting its key interest rate to 2.5 per cent.

But stock markets, traumatized by losses and bank collapses, took only mild comfort. Strains in credit markets continued, raising the question of what more

policy-makers could do and whether more cuts would follow.

"The recent intensifica-tion of the financial crisis has augmented the downside risks to growth and thus has diminished further the upside risks to price stability," the banks said in a joint statement.

#### **Canadian banks**

TD Bank will lower its prime lending rate by 25 basis points to 4.50 per cent, half of the Bank of Canada's rate cut. CIBC, RBC, Scotiabank said they would follow suit.

AIG defends lavish event as Fed gives another \$38B loan CRISIS American Insurance Group received a \$37.8 billion loan from the U.S. Federal Reserve yesterday, a day after lawmakers criticized it for throwing a lavish event days after receiving an \$85 billion US loan.

The firm says the event, including \$200,000 US spent on hotel rooms and \$23,000 US on spa services, was for independent life insurance agents, not employees.

BlackBerry to 'Storm' touch phone market SMARTPHONE RIM will debut the BlackBerry Storm, its clickable touchscreen device in Canada later this year.

The younger, consumeroriented phone will be available through CDMAequipped Bell and Telus networks, a nod to the fact that they have a competitive disadvantage against GSM networks. Pricing is not yet available.

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#### **Business** in brief

RETAIL Despite economic uncertainty, consumers are still shopping, but more carefully. Stores hope strong employment and income growth will boost holiday sales. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE **OIL** OPEC may need to cut oil output to bolster prices, oil ministers said yesterday as the group considered holding an emergency meeting to discuss the financial crisis. REUTERS

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'Pacman' Jones allegedly involved in spat at hotel

Dallas Cowboys cornerback Adam Jones reportedly was involved in an altercation with a personal security guard early yesterday morning. Citing a police source, the Dallas Morning News reported yesterday that Jones got into the spat at the Joule Hotel in downtown Dallas. METRO NEWS SERVICES

# Sports



#### **Cubs exercise Harden's option**

go, Harden went 5-1 with a 1.77 earned-run average and limited hitters to a .149 average after the All-Star break, which led all starters in the majors.

# Dodgers, Phillies face off in NLCS Indictment in death of

#### Expect Philadelphia to keep momentum going and take down L.A.

The Los Angeles Dodgers and Philadelphia Phillies will battle for the right to represent the National League at the World Series when the best-of-seven NLCS gets underway on tonight at Citizens Bank

Los Angeles is back in the NLCS for the eighth time in team history, but this is its first time back since its classic seven-game win over the New York Mets en route to its last world championship in

Philadelphia, while, is in this round for the seventh time, but will be making its first trip since 1993 when it topped Atlanta in six games.

These teams are also no stranger to one another in the postseason, having Ryan Howard and Chase met on three other occasions. However, they have not met up in the playoffs since the Phils defeated the Dodgers, 3-1, to advance to the 1983 World Series.

Los Angeles, though, defeated the Phils the first two times these teams squared off in NLCS play.

LINEUP

If the Phillies are clicking on all cylinders there are few lineups, any, that can produce the kind of runs can. Unfortunately, though, the big bats of Utley seem to have gone silent for the second consecutive post-

season. After ing 2-for-11 last in year's sweep the hands of the Rockies. Utley

aged just two hits in 15 atbats against the Brewers, while Howard was 2- for-11.

As he has been since he arrived in Los Angeles, Ramirez was the catalyst offensively for the Dodgers in their sweep of the Cubs. The 2004 World Series MVP hit .500 in the series with a pair of home runs and three RBI.

#### STARTING PITCHING

Cole Hamels put forth one of the best efforts of his career in his Game 1 NLDS start, as he held the Brewers to just two hits over eight scoreless innings, while striking out nine with a walk.

Hamels has only faced the Dodgers twice and is 1-

Los Angeles Dodgers outfielder Manny Ramirez

0 against them with a 2.57 ERA. He defeated them back on August 23, surrendering a pair of runs and five hits in seven innings.

The Dodgers will send righty Derek Lowe to the hill in Game 1. Lowe was one of the best pitchers in the league down the stretch, winning six of his last seven decisions, and carried that into his Game 1 effort against the Cubs. Lowe earned the win, giving up a pair of runs and seven hits in six innings.

Philly is not going to make as many mistakes as Chicago did. Plus with a series win under their belt, they won't be as tight at the plate.

Prediction: PHILLIES in SIX METRO NEWS SERVICES

# Williams

**NFL** A Denver grand jury returned a 39-count indictment yesterday charging Willie D. Clark in the murder of former Denver

Broncos cornerback Darrent Williams and the attempted murder of two others.



year-old Clark is charged with two counts of first-degree murder, 16 counts of attempted first-degree murder, two counts of second-degree assault, illegal discharge of a firearm, 16 crime of violence counts and two counts of possession of a weapon by a previous of-

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Dallas at Arizona, 2:15 Philadelphia at San Francisco, 2:15 New England at San Diego, 6:15 MONDAY'S GAME N.Y. Giants at Cleveland, 6:30

#### Bosh leads Raptors past Knicks Raptors 113 Knicks 111

NBA Chris Bosh scored a team-high 20 points and grabbed seven rebounds to lead the Toronto Raptors to a 113-111 victory last night over the New York Knicks in pre-season ac-

Andrea Bargnani chipped in 15 points off who defeated Cleve-

land, 104-84, on Tuesday in the club's pre-season opener. Jamario Moon, Anthony Parker and Jason Kapono added 10 points apiece in the

David Lee had a game-high 22 points and

the bench for the Raptors, hauled in nine boards in

the pre-season opener for the Knicks who finished last season 23-59. Zach Randolph added 19 points and 13 re-bounds while Nate Robinson ended with 16 points. Wilson Chandler gave 15 points in defeat. METRO NEWS SERVICES

#### **Eager suspended** for three games

**NHL** Chicago Blackhawks forward Ben Eager was suspended three games without pay by the NHL yesterday.

Eager's penalty stemmed from his actions in last Thursday's preseason game against the Dallas Stars. The 24-year-old was given a match penalty for attempting to injure Stars forward Sean Avery by swinging his stick from the bench at Avery, who was on the

#### Brady's surgery successful: Source

**NFL** New England Patriots quarterback Tom Brady

reportedly underwent surgery on Monday to repair his injured left knee.

The Boston NFL sources

Globe cited Brady as saying the procedure took place at the Kerlan-Jobe Orthopaedic Clinic in Los Angeles, adding that one of those sources said the surgery went

Brady was hurt during a season-opening victory over Kansas City.

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#### Tennis Ivanovic upset in Kremlin Cup



Ana Ivanovic became the second high-profile player to tumble out of the Kremlin Cup in two days after losing to Dominika Cibulkova 3-6, 6-2, 7-6 in Moscow vesterday.

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# Metro Homes



# Letting go of household clutter

L. SARA BYSTERVELD for Source Media Group

Our stuff — it's what surrounds us, serves us and sometimes even defines us. But it can also hold us back. In times of transition, such as divorce, children moving out or moving into a new home (especially a smaller home), emotional attachments to possessions can cause people to hold onto clutter that only complicates life.

"I see people whose possessions are out of control. The majority have things that have happened in their life that have thrown them out of balance — illness, divorce, death and so on," says Maggie Rogers, organizational specialist and owner of Amazing Spaces.

But it doesn't take a tragedy for a person to accumulate things, whether it's books, collectibles, clothes or just the general detritus that tends to collect in closets, basements and garages. It happens to the best of us with the regular busy pace of life. For homeowners moving into less square footage, they must determine which items to keep and which to let go, holding onto the memories instead.

As Kathy Roberts, organizational specialist and owner of Clutter Busters explains, the amount someone spent on an object, as well as its perceived value (which is sometimes out of whack with reality), holds much sway in the degree of attachment to that item.

Also, says Roberts, "there are some people who didn't have anything growing up, so they say, 'If I have it now, I'm going to hold onto it.'"

When Anne and Alan Young moved from a 1,076-



Granddaughter Brittany is flanked by grandparents Anne and Alan Young, who've recently pared down to condo living.

square-foot house with a basement in a small northern Alberta town to an 868square-foot apartmentstyle condo in southwest Calgary earlier this year, they were thankful for the wait time between purchasing and moving into their new home.

"It was hard to get rid of things, but we had time to

#### **Outside help**

• Organizational specialist Maggie Rogers recommends taking a photo of any clutter and e-mailing it to friends and family who may be interested. If no one wants your possessions, it is time to find another home for it, whether it is with charity or in a yard sale.

think about it," says Anne. "With a few things, we couldn't decide, so we made a maybe pile and decided later."

Like many homeowners faced with the prospect of paring down their belongings, the Youngs chose to pass some of their heirlooms to their daughter.

Roberts and Rogers acknowledge passing items down to family members as a good first option for people who are having a hard time letting go.

Other such obstacles that can pop up include having a sale but holding onto items that don't sell, being unable to decide on certain things and being reluctant to sell something for lower than a certain price.

Realistically, says Roberts, "the walls are only so big. You have to envision what you want your home to look like when you walk in and work to achieve that."

If you find you just can't sort through the stuff on your own, enlist a friend for help or hire an expert — an objective second set of eyes can make all the difference.

Luckily, in the end, it is worth it.

"It does feel good to have less stuff," says Anne Young. "Even here I go through things once in a while and get rid of things." EDITED FOR LENGTH BY

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# Strategies for clearing the air



f you vacuum frequently, dust diligently and get rid of mould and damp conditions in your sealed-andwinterized home, then you'll breathe more easily.

But don't relax just yet — you're well on your way to improving the air in your home, but you're not finished.

#### lt's a gas

• To combat harmful gases like carbon monoxide and nitrogen dioxide that are the result of combustion, ensure that appliances such as the furnace, stove, gas fireplace and water heater are properly maintained. They should be inspected by a qualified pro-

fessional every year.

Since carbon monoxide is both dangerous and odourless, get a carbon monoxide detector and place it where you can hear the alarm.

• Another gas that can build up indoors is nitrogen dioxide, which can irritate the lungs. It's main source in the home is gas stoves — so if you have a gas stove, make sure it has an efficient exhaust fan that's vented to the outside.

• Combustion gases can also enter the home from garages, so never let cars or any other fuel-burning appliance — such as a snow blower or lawnmower—run in a garage. Moreover, keep the door between the garage and house closed at all times.

#### **Source of irritation**

VOCs and formaldehyde emanate from lots of products that are made of plywood or particleboard.

Such items can include kitchen cabinetry, oilbased varnishes, furniture and panelling, paints and glues as well as many wallto-wall carpeting products. These sharp-smelling

gases can irritate the eyes, nose and throat, and low concentrations over the long term may be linked to respiratory symptoms and allergic sensitivity, especially in children.

Of course, off-gassing is strongest when these home products are new, and lessens over time.

So ventilate during renovation work, then give the house a day or a weekend to air out before you and your family settle into it again.

Over the long term, you can limit your exposure by reducing or eliminating the number of VOC- or formaldehyde-emitting products in your home.

#### **Getting personal**

Finally, take it easy on scented personal care, cleaning or laundry products, because they can also emit VOCs. Just because something smells nice doesn't mean it's a good thing for you to inhale.

Sylvia Putz is a journalist with an interest in home decor and design. She has written extensively for the TV show Arresting Design.



#### 10 metro homes

# Sweeping the supermarket

Interior **Divine** 



assive buying power, awesome deals and a collection of homewares so inspired that even top-end retailers are rethinking their marketing and pricing poli-cies — welcome to the world of supermarket shopping.

No longer just an afterthought collection of striped bedding and \$10, flat as a pancake, toss pillows, today's supermarket ranges are stylish, well constructed and offer seri-

ous bang for your buck.
Only this week, when
challenged by our Home
Heist director to supermarket source finishing touches for a suburban town home project, we were bowled over by a jaw-dropping array of accessories, linens kitchen wares, most of which looked like they cost several times more than the modest prices we ultimately paid.

Suitably inspired after a whiz round some of Canada's most famous aisles, we've assembled, for your bargain-conscious delectation, a roundup of Colin and Justin best buys.

Yup, read 'em and reap. Here's how to battle the credit crunch while ensuring you don't lose out in the style stakes...

#### **Acacia Wooden Serving**

Approximately 30 cm square, this beautiful timber flat plate is utterly gorgeous and would be the perfect vessel upon which to serve up savouries or sweets at even the coolest party. Priced at just \$7.99, you'll find it at Loblaws.

loblaws.ca

#### Three-tiered Serving Stand

A stunning tri level cake serving platter. A modern take on a traditional idea this square ceramic triple decker is awesome value at just \$14.99, again from Loblaws.

**Hearthway Crockery Set** A sixteen piece stoneware dinner service for just \$29.93? Head to Loblaws to grab this great value deal

#### Microlux Bath Towels

For a dime less than ten bucks each? It may be hard to believe but these are seriously good quality knit. Available in assorted colours they're excellent supermarket value. Find them at Maxi. maxi.ca

#### **Mini Chop Blender**

This diminutive food processor should make short work of all manner of kitchen blending requirements. And at just \$29.99 it won't leave you in a spin. Also at Maxi.

#### **Ball Rug**

Available in soccer, baseball or basketball designs, these round rugs (designed for use in kids' rooms) are just shy of one metre across and cost \$34.99 from Costco. costco.ca

#### Décor Anna Square Draperies

Yup, it's curtains for you! Priced at a very modest \$54.99, these semi sheer drapes are fantastic value. Track them down (no pun intended) at Costco.

#### **Phalaenopsis Orchids**

Blooming lovely! We adore exotic floristry and, having found these decorative blooms, we're more ooms, well impressed. Just of Sobeys. \$24.99 sobevs.com

Colin McAllister and Justin Ryan are the hosts of HGTV's Colin & Justin's Home Heist and authors of Colin & Justin's Home Heist Style Guide.

#### An efficient Thanksgiving

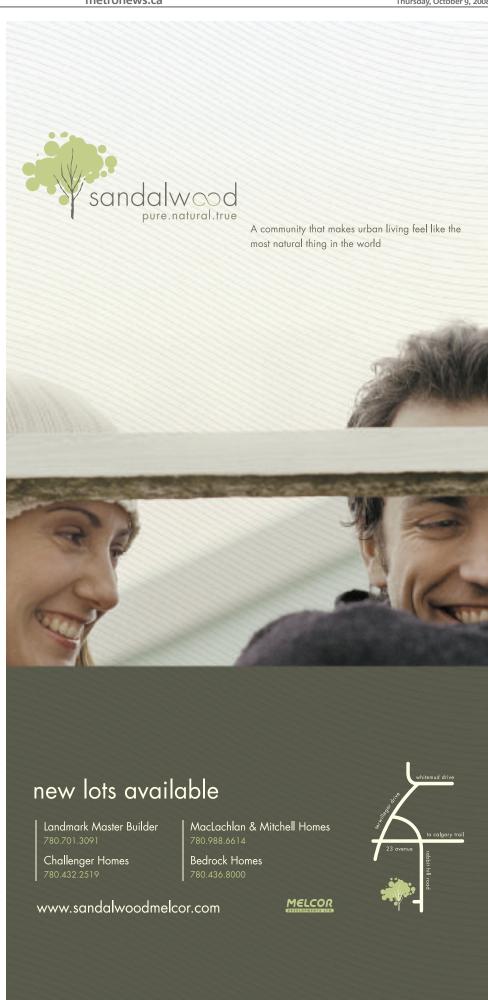
Hosting Thanksgiving dinner can be a daunting task, but it doesn't need to be, says Catherine Mar-ion, co-host of The Mom Show. Here she offers some ways to help you get out of the kitchen and back into your life this Thanksgiving:

1. Get the whole family in on it. Assign age-appropriate tasks and delegate fully don't rush in and finish

someone else's job.

- 2. Update the recipe book with shortcuts. Choose pre-cut veggies, pre-shredded cheese or pre-mixed spices to achieve the same result with less hassle.
- 3. Cook the turkey with convection technology, and shave at least 45 minutes off the cooking time (for a 12-pound turkey).

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Holiday decorating

Garnishes like cranberries, pine cones or holly on the outside of your plates give an unexpected festive punch and can complement the colours of your meal.

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"Cardamom is a warm, sweet spice widely used in Scandinavian and East Indian cooking."

Barb Holland/for Metro Canada



#### A spicy twist

Cardamom pods tend to be used with savoury dishes and ground, is wonderful with pears and apples, offering a different taste from the more traditional cinnamon and nutmeg.



Like many holiday meals, a delicious, warm home-baked pie is the perfect finish to Thanksgiving.

# Give thanks for dessert



Thanksgiving is all about getting together with family and friends, giving thanks and enjoying the bountiful harvest. Sharing is a better word than delegating, and dividing up the meal preparation

makes lighter work for all. Here is a delicious harvest fruit pie that is a break from the traditional pumpkin pie (or in addition!). If it's your turn to bring dessert, make this early in the day and heat just before serving in turned off, but still warm,

#### Rustic Apple, Pear and **Cranberry Pie**

Using puff pastry saves the step of making pastry, just remember to transfer puff pastry from freezer to fridge the day before. If

you prefer, you can also use regular pastry in a similar fashion. Makes 8 serv-

#### **INGREDIENTS:**

- 1/2 pkg or 1 sheet frozen puff pastry, thawed
- 1/4 cup (60 mL) all-purpose flour
- 1/4 cup (60 mL) brown sugar • 1 tsp (5 mL) ground car-
- damom or cinnamon • 3 medium apples, such
- as McIntosh 3 ripe but firm pears, such as Bartlett
- 1 cup (250 mL) fresh cranberries
- 1 tbsp (15 mL) cold butter, cut into pieces
- 1 egg, beaten with 1 tsp (5 mL) water or milk
- Coarse sugar, about 1 tbsp (15 mL)
- Whipping cream

#### **METHOD:**

Preheat oven to 400°F Combine flour, (200°C). brown sugar and cardamom in large bowl. Peel and core apples, cut into wedges 1/4-inch (1 cm) thick. Similarly peel pears, cutting wedges a lit-tle thicker. Add to flour mixture, along with cranberries. Toss gently to coat

evenly with dry mixture. On lightly floured surface, roll chilled puff pastry into a 13 x 13-inch (32.5 cm) square, about 1/8-inch (3 mm) thick. Carefully transfer to parchment paper lined pizza pan or other shallow baking pan with a rim. Arrange fruit mixture in centre, leaving a 2inch (10 cm) edge (you can trim off corners for a neater look). Fold edge over filling. Dot filling with butter pieces. Brush pastry with egg wash, then sprinkle with coarse sugar for a golden crust. Bake 15 minutes, then reduce heat to 375°F (190°C) and continue baking until pastry is golden brown and crisp and fruit is tender, 30 to 40minutes. Serve warm with lightly whipped sweetened cream.

Barb Holland is a professional home economist and food writer who believes in shopping locally and in season.



This recipe has a prep time of 15 minutes, a cooking time of three minutes and a refrigeration time of 30 minutes. Makes 20 balls.

#### Chewy, nutty power balls

Instead of taking storebought energy bars on your next hike — try these. They taste great, transport beautifully without crumbling and are a lot less expensive when you make them yourself.

#### **Peanut Power Balls**

#### INGREDIENTS:

- 2 cups (500 mL) granola • 1/3 cup (75 mL) chopped
- peanuts 1/4 cup (50 mL) each dried cranberries and raisins
- ¼ cup (50 mL) wheat germ or ground flax
- 2 tbsp (30 mL) each pumpkin seeds and shredded coconut
- 1/2 cup (125 mL) honey • ½ cup (125 mL) peanut

#### METHOD:

In a large bowl, stir granola with peanuts, cranberries, raisins, wheat germ, pumpkin seeds and

#### more info

- Per serving: 144.1 calories, 3.9 g protein, 19.7 g carbohydrates, 2 g dietary fibre, 51.7 mg sodium, 6.6 g total fat.
- · Visit the website of the Peanut Bureau of Canada for more recipes: peanutbureau.ca/Canada.

coconut. In a small saucepan bring honey to boil. Boil vigorously for approximately 30 seconds then whisk in peanut but-ter. Add to granola mixture and stir to combine.

While mixture is warm, firmly form into 11/2-inch (3.5 cm) balls. Refrigerate until firm. Store in an airtight container up to 2 weeks. Twist balls in waxed paper for perfect portability.



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#### J.C. Penney to carry Charlotte Ronson line

Mid-tier retailer J.C. Penney Co. Inc. is pairing with trendy designer Charlotte Ronson to sell an exclusive sportswear line as it tries to boost market share. The I (Heart) Ronson collection targets 21- to 35-year-old women.



#### 'Love for Life' bracelets

Aldo has partnered with YouthAIDS to create limited edition "Love for Life" bracelets with 100 per cent of the net proceeds benefiting HIV prevention efforts in Rwanda. This includes the work of the Rebero Orphan Centre which cares for victims and orphans of the Rwandan Genocide. The bracelets will be available in three styles: Silver and gold tone cuffs for women and a rubber wristband version for men. Available at Aldo, Aldo Accessories and online at aldoshoes.com for \$5. METRO NEWS SERVICE

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## Hats off to embellishment



#### ask kim

Are there any brands that specialize in boots for women with skinny calves? Most boots I try on are huge around the calf.

Try Michael Kors and Geox

boots. If those brands aren't available near you, shop online at *zappos.com* — they have a specialty section for people with narrow calves.

Vancouver's Kim Elbo has a passion for fashion. Here she shares the latest style tips.



Cloche Designer: n/a Shop: Front & Co.

Designer: Honey Love Designs Shop: Room 430 Boutique honeylovecouture.com frontandcompany.ca

Classic cut hats embellished with feathers, belts and contrasting fabrics are what to look out for this season. The cloche was a popular item last year and it looks like it's here to stay. Look for a cloche with a brim that is longer in the front and shorter in the back. The stingy brim fedora by Honey Love Designs is a favourite of mine; the feathers add elegance and style. A hat you will find everywhere is the schoolboy cap, it's casual, cool and it looks good on just about everyone.

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Oscar-winning actress Helen Mirren has signed up to star in a big-screen adaptation BBC NEWS ONLINE of Shakespeare's The Tempest, according to reports.

# Entertainment

A-list actor

Actor Steve Carell has officially A-list — he has signed a multimillion dollar three-movie deal with studio Warner Bros.

# Oasis dig out, Dylan brilliant

Album: Dig Out Your Soul Label: Big Brother/Warner

TO EXPECT this Britpop act to regain its mid-'90s peak might be asking for the



moon. But this seventh album stands as the first time in a while that the Brothers Gallagher et al actually sound like they care about what they commit to disc. When they're on, Bag It Up, Ain't Got Nothin' and The Shock Of The Lightning swirl gloriously with louder guitars, looser 'n' brasher backbeats and singer Liam Gallagher's cocky Britpop snarl. When they're off, Oasis spiral into

Beatles wannabes, riff-copping from The Doors and Pink Floyd, even rewriting the '60s hit Hi-Heel Sneakers and passing it off as (Get Off Your) High Horse Lady ... so typical Oasis.

Ian Nathanson/for Metro Canada

#### Jennifer **Hudson**

Album: Jennifer Hudson Label: Arista/Sony BMG Rating: @@@1/2

**FVFRY** R&B artist feel compelled to pad out their album with



three or four big name "friends?" So it is with Jennifer Hudson's debut bum with three tracks featuring Ludacris, Fantasia and T-Pain. Hudson doesn't



Dig Out Your Soul, the latest album from Oasis, is now available.

need their help. She's got one of the finest R&B voices since Whitney. When Ludacris steps in on the already edgy Pocketbook, you want to smack him off the microphone. And the

title of Track 4, What's Wrong (Go Away) can only be about T-Pain and his evil voice distorter. Hudson's extraordinary vocal talent manages to win out over all this friendly interference and synthetic production. Tracks like Giving Myself and You Pulled Me Through are killers, And I'm Telling You I'm Not Going will pop your eyes out of their sockets.

Graham Rockingham/for Metro Canada

#### Bob **Dylan**

Album: Tell Tale Signs Rare and Unreleased 1989-2006 Label: Columbia/Sony BMG Rating:

LOT OF artists have prolific careers, but how many can say that

they've recorded eight albums worth of rare and unreleased material. Only one: Bob Dylan. The latest installment of the leg-

#### Album**Reviews**

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endary folkie's "Bootleg - the first was released in 1991 - covers his years from Oh Mercy to 2006's Modern Times and boy, it's a doozie. Even though these tunes are a combination of throwaways. demos. movie tracks and unreleased material, almost all of the 27 songs are brilliant. It's hard to choose what's best here, but the thumping stripped down disc opener Mississippi is a good start.

Bryan Borzykowski/for Metro Canada



Les Paul & Friends, The Clash and Rise Against

#### Spears driving case goes to court

PEOPLE Britney Spears driving without a licence trial will continue as scheduled, according to a rul- Spears ing released



Tuesday, TMZ.com reports. The pop star's lawyer was trying to have the case put on hold or dismissed.

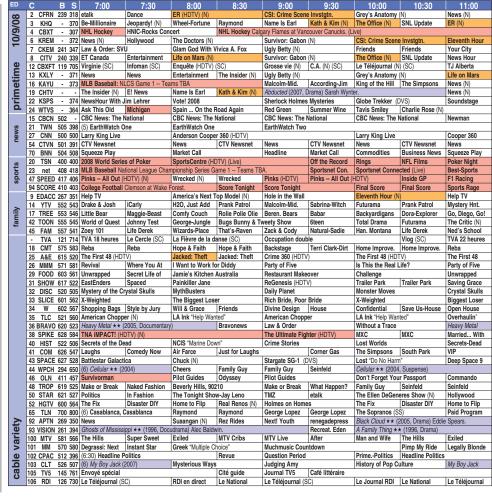
#### Fire damages **Nick Nolte's home**

PROBE A fire at Nick Nolte's home in Malibu, California gutted his living room Tuesday, but the actor escaped with minor injuries after trying to douse the flames with a garden hose. Reuters reports.

The Tropic Thunder star suffered smoke inhalation and minor abrasions in the fire, which was caused by an electrical problem, said Inspector Sam Padilla, a spokesman for the Los Angeles County Fire Depart-METRO NEWS SERVICES

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#### Eleventh Hour Science - ain't it cool? De-

pends on how it's used. In this new drama series, it's the job of Jacob Hood, a biophysicist who works as an adviser to the government, to fight those who would use scientific breakthroughs for bad ends. British actor Rufus Sewell ("John Adams") plays Hood, with Marlev Shelton as the FBI agent assigned to watch his back. 11



#### Heavy Metal

Animators from around the world contributed to this 1981 adult anthology of sci-fi stories adapted from the popular title magazine, with enough nearly nude (if animated) females to titillate any randv male adolescent. Backing up the incoherent "narrative" is a serious musical soundtrack featuring Blue Oyster Cult, Journey, Cheap Trick, Stevie Nicks, Grand Funk Railroad, Black Sabbath. Devo and others, 7 PM on **BRAVO** 

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Dick not laughing about renovation

Comedian Andy Dick is suing the bosses of a construction company over claims they never completed the contracted renovation of his home. IMDB.COM

**HELLO!** Hot shot of week



Renée bulking up for love?

edly gained 10 pounds in a bid to find a new man, femalefirst.co. uk reports.

"Renée was worried her slim frame made her look gaunt, sickly and, worst of all, old. She is going to be 40 in six months and doesn't want to be single then," a source

Zellweger, who packed on the pounds to play Bridget Jones in the 2001 movie Bridget Jones's Diary and 2004 the sequel Bridget Jones: The Edge of Reason, has reportedly completely changed her diet to maintain her new curvy fig-

"Renée used to eat only fresh fruit for breakfast, but now she allows herself the odd doughnut or bagel with cream cheese," the source added to Look magazine.



#### Latifah mum Mills' pool put on hold

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SEXUALITY Rapper/actress Queen Latifah is not answering questions about her sexuality, usmagazine. com reports.

on sex life

"I don't have a problem discussing the topic of somebody being gay, but I do have a problem dis-cussing my personal life," Latifah, 38. told Sunday's New York Times magazine.

"You don't get that part of me. Sorry," she added. "I don't feel like I need to share my personal life, and I don't care if people think I'm gay or not," she said. "Assume whatever you want. You do it anyway.

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**CELEBRITY** Paul McCartney's now ordered her to submit ex-wife Heather Mills has an application for the pool, reportedly been caught and if permission is debuilding a swimming pool in the grounds of her Engnied, Mills will have to fill

A local spokesperson tells the Hastings & St. Leonards Observer newspaper, marquee appears to have been dismantled. Apparently, there is a swimming pool and we have invited a planning ap-

plication for it. "This will then be considered in accordance with the normal planning pro-

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#### celebrity brief Cho gets honour

AWARD Comedienne Margaret Cho has been named Korean of the Year by a leading Korean-American newspaper, imdb.com re-METRO NEWS SERVICES



Light Lounge to meet fans with his band, Café Fuego. "It feels great to be here," the Montreal-born 32-year-old Calvin Klein model, who has a six-month-old daugher, Nahla, with his superstar girlfriend, told Hello! Canada. he

#### Dating Diaz is difficult, she says

Cameron Diaz finds it tough to maintain a relationship because she is ʻa spoiled brat," imdb. com ports.

The actress has dated a string of Hollywood stars including Matt Dillon, Jared Leto and singer Justin Timberlake.

She is now dating Jennifer Aniston's ex Paul Sculfor, and claims her selfishness often hinders

long-term romances.
"It's really hard for me to

commit." Diaz says "It's probably a lack of discipline on my part.

"Honestly, I'm just a spoiled brat who's used to getting my own way all the time! I'm sure that's what it is."I'm sure I'll suffer for it later, but I'm happy with it right now."

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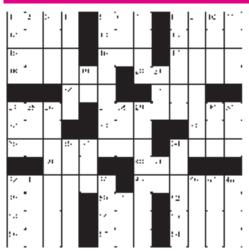
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#### **Take Five**



#### Sudoku

HOW TO PLAY: Digits 1 through 9 will appear once in each zone - one zone is an outlined 3x3 grid within the larger puzzle grid. There are nine zones in the puzzle. Do not enter a digit into a box if it already appears elsewhere in the same zone, row across or column down the entire puzzle.

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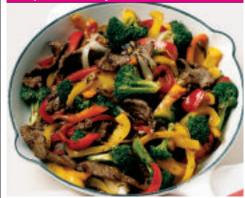
#### Crossword across

1 Galvanizing material 5 Recent horror film franchise 8 Invitation initials 12 Hydrox lookalike 13 Ante 14 Duel tool 15 Ham's dad 16 Real estate ad abbr. 17 "Phooey!" 18 Clothe 20 Ordeals

22 Vast expanse 23 Crow's cousin 24 Three-piece suit feature 27 Rule out 32 Mischievous tvke 33 Kreskin's claim 34 One side of the Urals (Abbr.) 35 The "who" in

behind 53 Finished 54 Hearty brew 55 Divisible by 56 Indiana city 57 Standard a whodunit 58 Take five 38 Bohemian 39 A Gershwin 40 Hostel

#### Recipe of the day



#### **Crossword down**

1 Region 2 Press 3 Approach

4 Kelly, to Regis 5 Butter knife, e.g. 6 Branch

7 Into the sunset 8 "Automatic" telephone

feature 9 One sitting carelessly 10 Osso buco meat

26 Wine + soda water

11 Household members 19 Exist

21 Vitamin stat 24 Energy 25 Ostrich's kin 29 Type of spaniel 30 See 47-Down 31 Ironically humorous

36 Glum 37 Listener

28 British verb suffix

38 Response

41 "Fuhgeddaboudit!"

42 Enthusiastic, plus

43 Stromboli outpouring 44 Trade

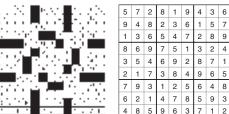
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48 Fender bender result 51 Carte lead-in

#### PREVIOUS DAY'S CROSSWORD AND SUDOKU ANSWERS:



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3 8 4 9 6 5

2 5

4 7 8 5 9

#### Orange beef stir-fry with broccoli and red pepper

#### INGREDIENTS:

½ cup (250 mL) orange juice 2 tbsp (25 mL) reduced-sodium soy sauce

1 tbsp (15 mL) oyster-flavoured sauce

1 tbsp (15 mL) rice vinegar 1 1/2 tsp (7 mL) hot red pepper sauce

1 ½ tsp (7mL) cornstarch 1 tbsp (15 mL) vegetable oil 12 oz (340 g) flank steak, trimmed, halved lengthwise and cut into ¼-in. (5-mm) strips 1 tbsp (15 mL) minced fresh ginger

2 tsp (10 mL) freshly grated orange zest

3 garlic cloves, minced 1 cup (125 mL) sliced onion 1 lb (500 g) broccoli crowns, cut into 1-in (2.5-cm) florets 1 red or vellow pepper, cut into 2-in x 1/4 -in. (5-cm x 5-mm)

#### METHOD:

In bowl, whisk orange juice, soy sauce, oyster sauce, vinegar, red pepper sauce and cornstarch; set aside. 2. Heat 1 tsp (5 mL) oil in large skillet or wok over high heat. Add half the steak and cook until browned underneath (about 1 minute). Turn and cook again (about 30 sec). Transfer to a plate. Repeat with

remaining steak.

3. Add remaining oil to skillet. Add ginger, orange zest and garlic. Stir-fry until fragrant. Add onion and stir-fry for 1 minute. Add broccoli and pepper, then stir-fry for 30 sec. add 1/4 cup (50 mL) water, cover, and cook until crisp-tender. Push vegetables to the outer edges of pan. Stir reserved sauce, pour into centre of pan and cook, stirring, until glossy and thickened. Stir vegetables into sauce, return steak to skillet, and turn to coat.

#### **SERVES 4**

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For nutritional information on this and other great recipes, go to rd.ca or check out Key Ingredients in this month's Reader's Digest, or



#### Horoscopes

you'll go with the flow.

#### MARCH 21-APRIL 20 You'll inspire thoughts of generosity. A significant meeting occurs in an out of the way place. Others may panic, but

LIBRA SEPT 23-OCT 23

(≗) Be practical with a profession-Relief materializes after hearing some news. Don't make a stand in a tense situa-

#### APRIL 21-MAY 21

(g) A tempting bargain is offered. Read the fine print before you sign anything. Your response can make a difference.

#### **SCORPIO** OCT 24-NOV 22

You'll search desperately for something important. A close friend feels down in the dumps. Someone's wish can worsen a situation.

#### GEMINI

(I)MAY 22-JUNE 21 Too much closeness may defuse an infatuation. The energy you need will magically appear. Frustration results from a careless comment.

#### **SAGITTARIUS NOV 23-DEC 21**

Illness cancels plans for the evening. You hear good news about a potential job. Try a different approach to a predica-

#### JUNE 22-JULY 22

A conversation makes you euphoric. A lost shoe appears in an odd location. A naïve guy makes something happen.

#### CAPRICORN **DEC 22-JAN 20**

Avoid obsessing over trivial mistakes. An intimate friend speaks the truth. Beware of overeating to get emotional comfort.

JULY 23-AUG 23
Inspirational news has you dancing for joy. A missing person is gossiped about. An unbelievable friend will succeed

#### **AQUARIUS** JAN 21-FEB 18

Find your dream job through an old friend. Elevate yourself beyond anxiety. Think twice about changing your appear-

#### **VIRGO**

AUG 24-SEPT 22 A troublemaker being You'll finicky about details. You'll find what you're looking for. A strong-willed person inspires you to claim your freedom.

**AVATAR VENUS** 

#### **PISCES** FEB 19-MARCH 20

Your personal magnetism is set on high. Very little progress is made on an important project. Your resilience comes to the forefront.

#### WORDY GURDY



#### This day in history

OCT. 9, 1003: Leif Erikson lands in L'Anse aux Meadows, Canada, becoming the first European to reach America.

OCT. 9, 1582: Because of the implementation of the Gregorian calendar, this day does not exist in this year in Italy, Poland, Portugal and Spain.

OCT. 9, 1604: Supernova 1604, the most recent supernova to be observed in the Milky Way.

OCT. 9, 1824: Slavery is abolished in Costa Rica.

OCT. 9, 1967: A day after being caught, Che Guevara is executed for attempting to incite a revolution in Bolivia.

OCT. 9, 2007: The Dow Jones Industrial Average closes at an alltime high. METRO NEWS SERVICES





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